



## Mayor Mark Mallory

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### **Mayor Mallory to Receive AMVETS “Legislator of the Year” Award**

Columbus - Cincinnati Mayor Mark Mallory will be honored on Saturday by the AMVETS Department Ohio as a 2005 “Legislator of the Year” for his work in the Ohio Senate. Mallory is one of three Ohio Legislators being honored for their support and work on behalf of the Veterans of Ohio.

“It is an honor to be recognized by Ohio’s veterans for my work in the Senate,” Mayor Mallory said. “Our veterans have performed the ultimate in public service by risking their lives to defend their country. These brave men and women deserve a strong voice at the Statehouse.”

The award will be presented Saturday morning at 9:00 am as part of the 59<sup>th</sup> Annual Mid-Winter Conference in Columbus at the Midwest Hotel and Conference Center, 4900 Sinclair Road. Mallory was selected for this award by the AMVETS Awards Committee before was elected Mayor of Cincinnati.

“Our veterans are fortunate to have an organization such as AMVETS advocating for them at the state and national level,” Mayor Mallory said.

While in the Ohio Senate, Mallory was a consistent support for issues and causes important to veterans. In 2004, Mallory introduced two bills that aimed at providing relief to National Guard members and reservists activated to fight in the War on Terror. Senate Bill 257 proposed creating a \$2,500 state tax credit to service members serving in the War on Terror. Senate Bill 260 would have granted tax credits to small businesses to help them cover the cost of hiring temporary employees to fill in for regular employees who are activated as members of the National Guard members or Armed Forces Reserve.

Two other legislators will also be receiving the 2005 Legislator of the Year Award: Senate President Bill Harris and State Representative Danny Bulp, both former United States Marines. At the breakfast, the AMVETS will also present the Past Commanders' Public Servant Award to United States Attorney, Greg White.